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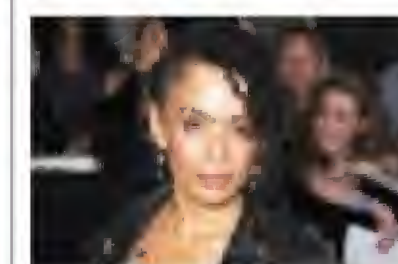
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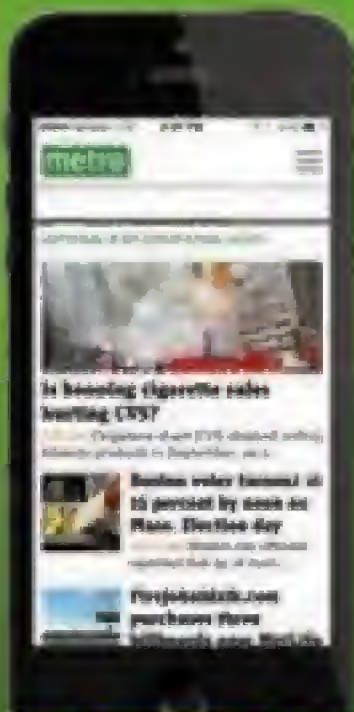
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After 16 years underground, immigrant family rejoices

Immigration. Beatriz Alvarez and her sons say President Obama's immigration order will let them live in the U.S. without fear.

To hear her son Carlos tell it, Beatriz Alvarez is ecstatic.

After years of worry, she no longer has to live in the shadows.

Alvarez fled her native Medellin, Colombia, in 1999. There was too much drug trafficking and guerilla warfare — a relative was killed by what the family believes were guerillas — and not enough economic opportunity.

At the time, she told U.S. immigration authorities her family was going to Florida for a Disney vacation. The immigration officials who were screening the visa application were skeptical. They asked her son, Carlos Rojas-Alvarez, then 5 years old, what he expected to do on the trip. Carlos had already been coached up by his mom, who had told him what to say. He excitedly started ticking off his favorite Disney rides and how excited he was to meet Donald Duck.

"I knew all the things I had to say," said Carlos, now a 21-year-old resident of East Boston who works as a campaign coordinator for Student Immigrant Movement. "It was a matter of life or death. We wanted to live a better life."

The family was granted temporary visas for the alleged Disney trip. After six months, those visas ran out,



"I am so happy. I have lived in this country for 16 years working to provide my children with a better life and I finally have a chance to work legally, not live in fear of deportation."

Beatriz Alvarez

Carlos Rojas-Alvarez of East Boston discusses how the new immigration reform has affected his life. / NICOLAUS CZARNECKI, METRO

Order

President Barack Obama's said last week he'd lift the threat of deportation for millions of undocumented immigrants.

- The president would let some 4.4 million people who are parents of U.S. citizens and

legal permanent residents, and who have been in the country for five years, remain in the U.S. temporarily with the right to work.

- Responding to Republican charges that he is short-cir-

cling Congress and ruling like "an emperor, Obama replied: "Well, my response is pass a bill," Obama told ABC. "Congress has a responsibility to deal with these issues and there are some things that I can't do on my own."

Revere. Animal Rescue League, police investigating two dead puppies found in trash bag at gas station

Revere police have released photographs of two dead puppies on Facebook in the hope of finding the people who threw them in a garbage can Saturday.

"Although they are graphic, we are releasing pictures of the puppies in hopes that someone will recognize them

and assist in the investigation," police wrote on their Facebook page Sunday.

A landscaper found the dogs Saturday behind a Sunoco gas station on North Shore Road, police said.

The pit bull mixes both have cropped tails, and are thought to be between six

and eight weeks old.

The Animal Rescue League took the puppies for further investigation, police said.

Social media users expressed outrage on Facebook.

"I am equally angry and heartbroken. Someone would have taken those poor pups, no need for that. Disgusting

people," wrote Pam McCulsh.

Facebook user Brian White weighed in, saying "very sad. RIP. The person or persons responsible will pay one way or another for their actions."

Anyone with any information is asked to contact Revere police at 781-656-1114.

MORGAN ROUSSEAU

and the family stayed. They were now undocumented immigrants living in America.

In 2012, an executive order allowed so-called "childhood arrivals" — people like Carlos — to live without fear of being deported, acquire a work permit and apply to leave the country without being barred from returning.

His mother was not so lucky. She had to continue to live without any legal status in the country she wanted to make her home. She missed family funerals because she couldn't return home.

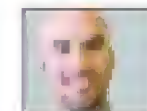
Until last week, President Barack Obama's executive order will change all that. Next spring, Beatriz, who currently works for a catering company, will be among the five million in the U.S. who will be able to apply for a work permit and live without fear of deportation.

She can visit Colombia — she's already planning a trip next summer.

"I am so happy," said the 42-year-old on Monday. "I have lived in this country for 16 years working to provide my children with a better life and I finally have a chance to work legally, not live in fear of deportation."

She qualifies under the new rules because Carlos' brother — Michael Restrepo, 14 — was born here and is an American citizen.

"We are one step closer to realizing the life I have always wanted for Carlos and Michael and for myself," she said.



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The Sunoco Station on North Shore Road in Revere

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School employee charged with indecent assault on child



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Second incident. The allegations follow another incident earlier this month.

A second Boston Public Schools employee in a month has been charged with indecent assault and battery for allegedly improperly touch-

ing a child.

Charles Ramsey, an 85-year-old paraprofessional at Higginson/Lewis School in Roxbury was arraigned in court Monday after allegedly touching a student at the school inappropriately last week.

Ramsey has resigned from his job.

"There is absolutely nothing more important to me

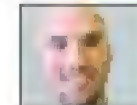
than the safety and well-being of our children," said Boston Mayor Marty Walsh through a statement.

"Any incident in our schools is distressing, but this is particularly upsetting and I have been stunned and deeply disturbed by these allegations."

Earlier this month, a Boston Public Schools employee from Jamaica Plain

was arraigned for allegedly touching an 8-year-old child inappropriately at a Boston hospital.

Juan P. Cortes, 25, faces one count of indecent assault and battery on a child for an incident at Boston University Medical Center.



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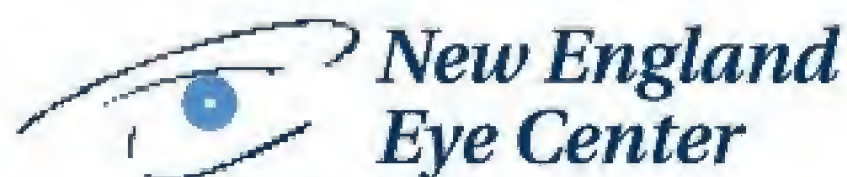


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Weather

It could be a snowy Turkey Day

An East Coast snowstorm could complicate what are traditionally the busiest travel days of the year.

The National Weather Service says plowable snow — meaning six to 10 inches — is likely from Wednesday evening into Thanksgiving morning for western Massachusetts and northern Connecticut. Where the snow will turn into rain is unclear, but the Weather Service suggests that line will be somewhere in eastern Massachusetts.

Accuweather says eastern Massachusetts could be hit with three to six inches of

snow between Wednesday and Thursday. The interior of the state, including central Massachusetts, should brace for six inches to a foot of snow.

According to the AAA, more people will be traveling this Thanksgiving than at any time since 2007, before the financial crisis, with 46.3 million Americans making a trip.

That's 4.2 percent higher than last year.

Air travel for Thanksgiving, the AAA says, will also hit a post-2007 peak, with 3.55 million Americans in the skies.

AAA said travel is being helped by the low price of gasoline, now under \$3 a gallon nationally for the first time since 2010. **DANNY McDONALD**



Woman wounded in South End shooting

Police yesterday were searching for a suspect in a South End shooting that sent one woman to the hospital with life-threatening injuries. The woman, believed to be in her 30s, was reportedly shot inside a building located at 625 Shawmut Ave. The suspect was described as a hispanic male in a gray hoodie. Investigators were reportedly emptying trash bins looking for evidence shortly after the shooting.

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Nude Logan
suspect still in
hospital

A Boston man remains in the hospital after he fell naked through the ceiling of a women's bathroom at Logan International Airport and then assaulted an elderly man.

Prosecutors said yesterday that 26-year-old Cameron Shenk is still at Massachusetts General Hospital, and are waiting for medical approval before they can formally charge him.

He faces charges including attempted murder, assault and battery on a person over 60, and lewd and lascivious conduct. **METRO**



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Black Lives Matter Boston to rally in wake of Ferguson verdict

Dudley Square.

Local activists say no matter the verdict they'll demonstrate at a Boston Police station in reaction to Monday's Ferguson grand jury decision.

Like thousands of black activists across the nation, Daunasia Yancey wants her city to know that police brutality will not be tolerated.

That's why the 22-year-old signed on as the lead organizer of Black Lives Matter Boston, a group that plans to rally Tuesday night in front of a Boston Police station in Dudley Square.

On Monday, a St. Louis County grand jury announced not to indict Ferguson Police



Activists march in Ferguson, Missouri, on National Day of Action Against Police Brutality on Oct. 22. / GETTY IMAGES

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"We haven't heard from local police at all, which is really unfortunate. Police have not reached out."

Yancey
BLM Boston lead organizer

Officer Darren Wilson, who is white, for the shooting death of Michael Brown, an unarmed black teenager, in August.

Organizers said they would turn out at Dudley Square regardless of the grand jury's decision.

"Seeing police definitely does not make folks feel safer or more comfortable," said

Yancey, a Boston resident.

Black Lives Matter Boston expected to show up carrying signs with messages, including "End Stop and Frisk," and "White Silence = Police Violence."

Yancey said she's disappointed that law enforcement in the Boston area have done little to ease resentment within the black community since the Ferguson shooting, and wants a dialogue with police.

Cambridge resident George Bryant expressed outrage on the BLM Boston protest page, pointing to the shooting death of a 12-year-old Cleveland boy by police.

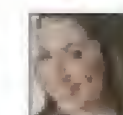
"The whole damn system is guilty ... and we need a massive outcry over the Ferguson verdict for all the victims of this white supremacist system ... it matters what comes out of this moment!" Bryant wrote.

Keeping calm

Boston reverend teaching civil disobedience

The Rev. Osagyefo Uhuru Sekou of the First Baptist Church in Jamaica Plain has been educating protesters in the St. Louis area about non-violent civil disobedience, The Boston Globe reported.

"Nonviolence takes rage and places it in a container and directs it at a target," Sekou told a group of students Sunday at a civil disobedience training session. "That target is never individuals. This is about a rotten system."



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Online phishing scams are very common. A common variation of this (that was also used in the Booking.com scam) is the scammer demands payment for an overdue account balance, hoping that the victim will just pay it to make the problem go away without really looking into it.

Always confirm the legitimacy of account balances through the official websites. Do not click on links that are included in the email. If you actually owe the business money, you should be able to confirm this by going to their website or contacting them separately.

Is it a good idea to skip "Black Friday" and do all my holiday shopping on "Cyber Monday,"

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or is it safer to buy things at an actual store?

"Cyber Monday" refers to the Monday after "Black Friday," when online retailers experience a flood of Web traffic and use it as an opportunity to put products on sale and give out discounts, similar to what stores do on "Black Friday." Here are some basic guidelines for shopping safely: Only give out your bank account information to credible websites that belong to trusted brands.

Consider paying with a

credit card instead of a debit card; credit cards are protected by the Fair Credit Billing Act and may reduce your liability if your information is misused. Always review privacy policies so that you know what information the merchant is collecting about you and will they will do with it. It's also helpful to read online reviews from other shoppers to avoid buyer's remorse. Scams aside, the quality of a product isn't always as clear online as it is in a store, so customer recommendations go a long way.

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Decision. Grand jury declines to bring murder charges against Ferguson Police Officer Darren Wilson.

A white Missouri police officer who shot and killed an unarmed black teenager avoided indictment by a state grand jury, raising concerns of a return to rioting that engulfed the St. Louis suburb of Ferguson after the August shooting.

People were "on edge," Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon said before the announcement. He urged "people on all sides show tolerance, mutual respect and restraint."

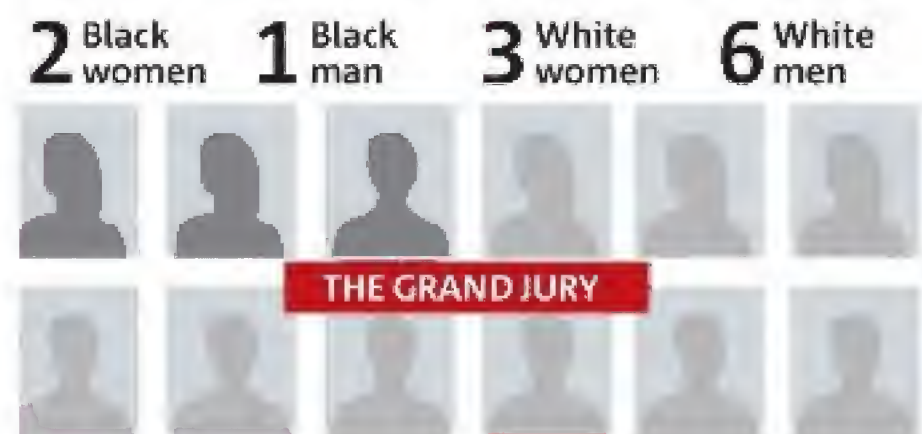
The grand jury, composed of nine whites and three blacks, declined to charge Darren Wilson, 28, for the Aug. 9 killing of Michael Brown, 18, in a street encounter, St. Louis

County Chief Prosecutor Robert P. McCulloch announced Monday. The panel began hearing evidence Aug. 20 after days of protests triggered a police response that was criticized as militaristic, and which rekindled a national debate on race and law enforcement.

Some eyewitnesses said Brown was shot as he raised his hands in surrender. Police said he attacked Wilson while the officer was in his patrol car. The federal government is examining the Ferguson Police Department, its training and

operating procedures. Attorney General Eric Holder said the investigation was prompted by conversations he had with residents who expressed a "deep mistrust" of the city's police, who are mostly white in a majority black city.

"People consistently expressed concerns stemming from specific alleged incidents, from general policing practices, and from the lack of diversity on Ferguson's police force," the attorney general said at a press conference in September. **BLOOMBERG**



Fatal shooting

Video of Cleveland police shooting released

Cleveland officials said on Monday they have released a video recording of the fatal shooting of a 12-year-old boy

by police to representatives of the boy's family, and will eventually release it to the public.

Tamir E. Rice was shot by police on Saturday after he brandished a pellet gun at a Cleveland recreation center. He died of his injuries on Sunday.

Cleveland Police Chief Calvin Williams said at a news conference that the Rice family had been invited to see the video, but had declined. He said family representatives have had a chance to view it, and will discuss it with the family. **REUTERS**

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Katy Perry definitely doing the Super Bowl

The NFL has confirmed rumors that Katy Perry will be performing at the next Super Bowl halftime show, taking place Feb. 1 in Glendale, Arizona. Perry got in on the announcement action with a video discussing various ideas for the show in her "testing facility," including kittens and edible glitter. After recent years featuring Madonna and Beyonce, it will be interesting to see what Perry can bring to the ridiculously high-profile gig — and what Illuminati references conspiracy theorists can glean from it.

Tour director Baz Halpin is really risking the ire of Taylor Swift by working with Perry on the show. I'm thinking he maybe didn't take Swift's alleged threat too seriously. Also, way to go on Perry's part for managing to steal plenty of focus during the American Music Awards despite not actually being there. She didn't even need glitter for that move.



KATY PERRY AND THE STADIUM MADE OF EDIBLE GLITTER
YOUTUBE, PEPsi

Lisa Bonet not actually tweeting about Bill Cosby — or on Twitter at all

Amid the frenzy regarding Bill Cosby and the growing number of women accusing him of sexual assault over the years, the Internet is hungry for commentary by anyone who has worked with him. Perhaps it's a little too hungry, as it turns out, because everyone was a little too quick to believe former "Cosby Show" star Lisa Bonet was tweeting about her old boss. "According to the karma of past actions, one's destiny unfolds, even though everyone wants to be so lucky," a tweet from an account claiming to be Bonet's read. "Nothing stays in the dark [forever]." Here's the thing, though: Bonet isn't actually on Twitter. "Lisa Bonet has no social media of any kind," her manager tells People magazine. "Any posts made

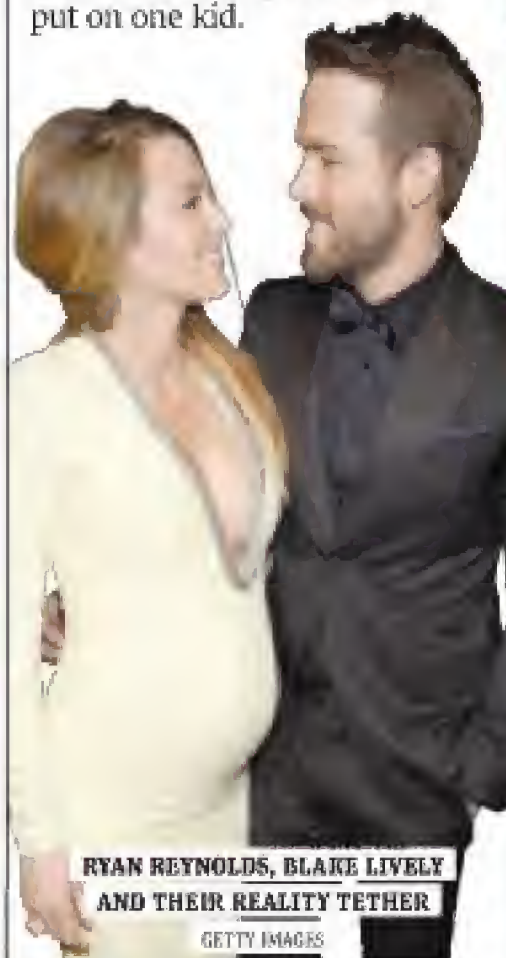


All smiles back in 1989
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in her name were made by impersonators with unverified accounts. She also has no comment on the ongoing story." This also casts serious doubt on the authenticity of this Phylicia Rashad Tumblr that I follow.

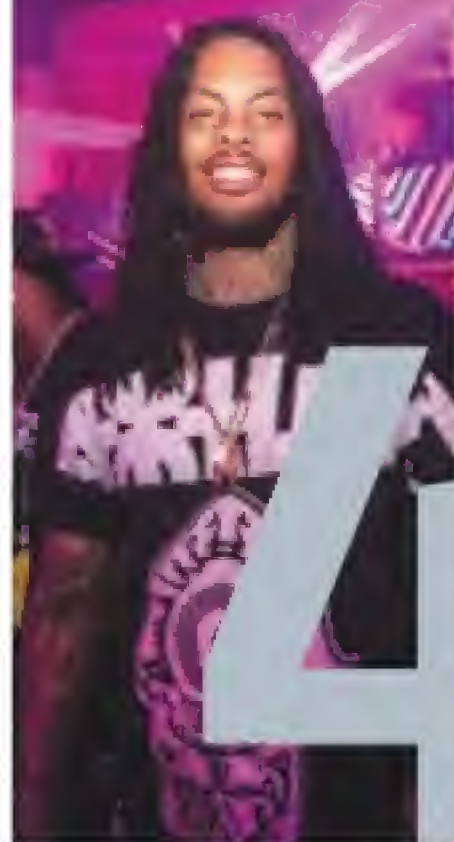
Ryan Reynolds excited to have a buddy who can't leave

Blake Lively is currently gestating her first official release with husband Ryan Reynolds, and the father-to-be could not be more excited — mostly because he could use a friend, as it turns out. "I'm just excited about having a buddy. We don't know if it's a boy or a girl yet, but whatever it is, you have this tether to reality that never goes away," he tells People magazine. Tether to reality? That never goes away? I mean, that's a lot of responsibility to put on one kid.



RYAN REYNOLDS, BLAKE LIVELY AND THEIR REALITY TETHER
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Waka Flocka Flame, cough drop pitch man



"Love & Hip Hop Atlanta" star Waka Flocka Flame has got a new gig: pitching Pine Brothers brand cough drops for, ahem, minor sore throat relief. Over the strains of soothing piano music and with a cloud of suspicious smoke billowing next to him, the rapper professes that he "can't live without my Pine Brothers." Honestly, it's nice to see more companies blatantly going after the stoner market — you should see the Jack in the Box late-night menu ads in California — but doesn't someone already own the rights to that "because you're worth it" tag line?

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Daily video

Friends of the Galaxy

Here's another example of two great tastes that taste great together. YouTuber and mash-up master Robert Jones has taken Marvel's oddball hit "Guardians of the Galaxy"

and set it to the opening of "Friends." And the results are delightful. The only question is, really, which one is Chris Pratt? Is he the Chandler, the Joey or the Rachel? Because Rocket Raccoon is definitely the Monica.



YOUTUBE, ROBERT JONES

Prince Jackson valiantly struggling to lead normal life

Michael Jackson's oldest offspring, Prince Jackson, turns 18 in less than three months, meaning he'll be free of the court-ordered guardianship that's been minding his assets — and some more opportunistically minded folks have taken



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note. Among them? Uncle Jermaine Jackson, who "has been trying to get a reality show going" featuring the teen but can't seem to "get it off the ground," a source tells Radar Online. Prince, for his part, has said he wants to go to college. Smart kid.

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CULTURE



Twitter feed

Today, Chloe Grace Moretz has some thoughts on style, Katy Perry is putting things in perspective, Bette Midler is trying to save you some time and money, Patton Oswalt is preparing for things to get worse and Ricky Gervais has some simple advice for you.

@ChloeGMoretz: Our fashion needs to go back to 1928 everyone looked so beautiful and appropriate and sexy at the same time, 2014 = short skirts/crop tops

@katyperry: 3 AMA'S & SUPER BOWL?! Not long ago I was playing guitar on the streets of Santa Barbara for maybe 20 bucks a day & an avocado. Wow, life!

@BetteMidler: Why pay to see The Hunger Games this week when you can just watch footage of Black Friday stampedes next week?

@pattonoswalt: I just realized this Bill Cosby horrorshow is gonna spur a think piece about Tone Loc's "Funky Cold Medina." #yuck

@rickygervais: Have a fun day and try not to kill anyone.

The secret, activism-filled lives of nuns in America

Religion. Author Jo Piazza explores the misunderstood lives of Catholic sisters.

Since the release of "If Nuns Ruled the World: Ten Sisters on a Mission" this fall, author Jo Piazza says that she receives a new note from a different Catholic nun nearly every time she checks her email. "It's a lot of 'Thank you for telling this story that hasn't been told yet. Thank you for acknowledging us,'" says Piazza, whose book was recently featured at a literary salon hosted by the New York Foundling and author Aidan Donnelley Rowley. "And that's the part that sort of breaks my heart."

The author says that

traveling with and getting to know each of the 10 sisters she profiles in the book taught her just how misunderstood and stereotyped nuns were, by both the Catholic community and the general population. "I'm a very healthy and open-minded agnostic," says Piazza, who attended Catholic schools growing up. "I think I love the nuns so much because they don't wear their religion on their sleeves, they just practice it."

Piazza shared some of the other things she learned while writing the book with Metro.

Nuns are not meek

When you think of a Catholic nun, you probably don't picture a woman who vol-

Nuns love a certain Comedy Central star

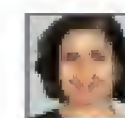
"Nuns love Stephen Colbert," dishes Piazza, which should be no surprise as the late-night host is well known for teaching Sunday school at his local church. Other things the nuns raved to Piazza about are red wine, cats and baseball.

unteers as an abortion clinic escort or a woman in jail for protesting against nuclear weapons. But those are just two examples of women Piazza met with while writing her book. "These are the women who are the very first feminists," says Piazza. "They were running colleges, they

were running hospitals. They have amazing careers."

Nuns are not just teachers

Piazza says she hears all the time from former Catholic school students who complain about the times they were hit with rulers in class. "It's mostly men that say that, too. And then I just say, 'Did you deserve it? You probably were a little jerk, weren't you?'" she says. "That's one of the myths about nuns that people like to say. And it's not true; it's a stereotype. All of the nuns I know are just loving, dynamic women."



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Jo Piazza features rule-breaking nuns — not ruler-holding nuns — in her new book, out now. / DIGITAL VISION

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TV watch list



Looks like nobody likes Schmidt's big plan on "New Girl" this week. / NICOLE WILDER SHATTUCK, FOX

COMEDY

'New Girl'

Schmidt comes up with a foolproof plan to resolve everyone's singleness: He tells them to bring a compatible partner for someone else to the group's Thanksgiving get-together. 9 P.M., FOX

The Flash finds himself battling an enemy, known as Blackout, capable of stealing away all his super speed, meaning he has to fight the guy without any super powers. 8 P.M., CW

REALITY

'The Voice'

It's a live elimination show, meaning you'll have to say goodbye to two contestants tonight. Also, Taylor Swift stops by for a quick perfor-

mance. 8 P.M., NBC

TALK SHOWS

'The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon'

This has to be the weirdest combination of guests ever: Tonight, Jimmy is hosting both Bill O'Reilly and Lorde. That's quite a range of demographics to cover. 11:35 P.M., NBC
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DRAMA

'The Flash'

'Bountiful' offers indelible performances



It's not often you get to see Cicely Tyson live on stage. Don't miss out!
CRAIG SWARTZ

Review. Check out this Tony Award-winning show during its brief Boston visit.

"The Trip to Bountiful" is almost inexplicably magical.

All the accolades in the world couldn't do justice to the production at the Cutler Majestic Theatre, where this sweet, simple story has become a theatrical experience you'll be talking about for a long time.

Of course, it doesn't hurt that Cicely Tyson is reprising her Tony Award-winning role as Carrie Watts, the elderly woman who desperately wants to return to her hometown of Bountiful, Texas, one last time. The chance to watch the legendary actress' extraordinary performance is reason enough to see this show, but that's only part of what makes it so special.

Vanessa Williams is sheer perfection as Carrie's yammer-

ing, self-absorbed daughter-in-law Jesse Mae. A lesser actor could've easily become an also-ran in the presence of Tyson, but the stage and screen veteran proves to be a formidable scene partner.

Blair Underwood finds depth and vulnerability as the brow-beaten Ludie, and Jurnee Smollett-Bell (of HBO's "True Blood") enjoys some of the production's loveliest moments with Tyson.

Jeff Cowie's set captures the claustrophobia of the two-room apartment, the bus and a dingy station, which displays a disturbing "Whites Only" waiting room sign that acts as a powerful reminder of the multitude of struggles the Watts family faces. But it's the decaying, ramshackle family home that proves to be the most beautiful of all. Carrie's heartwarming recall of childhood memories (courtesy of a lump-in-your-throat moment by Tyson) makes you think this weed-laden, abandoned shanty is as glorious as a palace.

Michael Wilson's nearly invisible direction is flawless, as this story gently takes you by the hand and leads you on a wonderful journey, even when your heart aches and you're fighting back tears. Carrie Watts' trip to Bountiful isn't the only once-in-a-lifetime trip being taken at the Cutler Majestic.

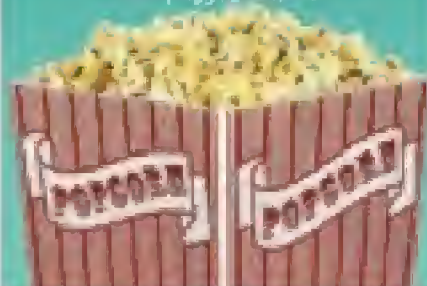


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Metro rounds up what's in cinemas this week.

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1 'Penguins of Madagascar' Amazingly, it took the makers of the undying animal toon franchise nearly a decade to realize they should give the films' aquatic birds their own spin-off movie. Are people even still nuts for penguins? Anyway, the octopus villain is voiced by John Malkovich, and that's beautiful.

2 'Horrible Bosses 2' Instead of going next-level, the sequel to the surprise hit goes down a peg, having its three antiheroes — Jason Bateman, Jason Sudeikis and Charlie Day — attempting to merely kidnap, not kill, a mean jerk (Chris Pine).

3 'Flamenco Flamenco' Music and dance obsessive Carlos Saura — who's done films on the tango ("Tango") and a previous film on flamenco ("Flamenco") — returns to the latter form. This being Saura, it no doubt features a riot of eye-popping colors.

4 'The Hunger Games: Mockingjay — Part 1' Suzanne Collins' dystopian saga is the latest to have one

of its books divided into two movies, though this means all the big action is pushed off until "Part 2," which won't come out for another year. But hey, there's plenty of business about the grunt work of revolutions!

5 'Foxcatcher' A comedic actor (Steve Carell) and a stud (Channing Tatum) try to prove their dramatic bona fides in this stranger-than-fiction docudrama, with the former playing deranged and moneyed murderer John du Pont (whose victim is played by Mark Ruffalo).

6 'The Homesman' Tommy Lee Jones gets back in the saddle of both the Western genre and filmmaking, directing himself as a wild frontiersman forced to team up with a resilient prairie woman (Hilary Swank) on a mission 'cross some purdy vistas.

7 'Point and Shoot' In this "truth is stranger than fiction" doc, an American heads out to Libya to take part in their revolution, only to find himself a prisoner of war.



A wolf voiced by Benedict Cumberbatch deals with a penguin in "Penguins of Madagascar." / DREAMWORKS LLC

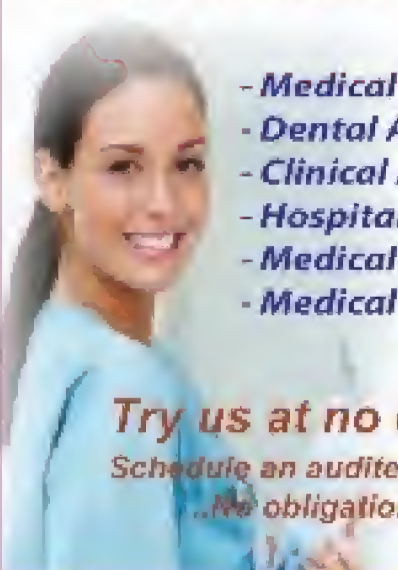
8 'Dumb and Dumber To' Jim Carrey and Jeff Daniels dust off some 20-year-old jokes, but can it ever really be as funny as any episode of "The Newsroom"?

9 'Beyond the Lights' "Belle"'s Gugu Mbatha-Raw plays a reluctant Beyonce type torn between fame and an unfailing gentleman (Nate Parker) who wants her to give it all up and defy

her domineering stage mom (Minnie Driver).

10 'Big Hero 6' One day, every film will be from Marvel. The comics giant has already begun taking over animation, starting with this superhero comedy about a young science prodigy who joins up with other tech nerds-turned-superheroes, plus an inflatable, pot-bellied robot pal.

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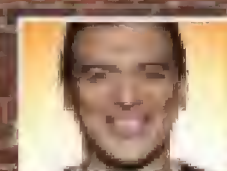
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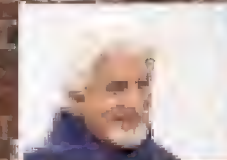
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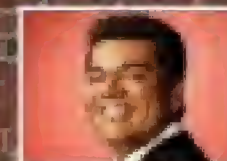
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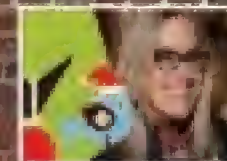
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Deal or no deal?



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Black Friday by the numbers

RetailMeNot's latest Shopping Trend Report looked at more than 500,000 Black Friday sales and consumer habits. Here's what they found:

Black Friday shoppers who report never missing a year

The average discount off the original price on Black Friday

The average amount that shoppers plan to spend per person on their holiday list this year

Retail. What to resist on Black Friday and how to shop smarter this year.

There's no doubt that Black Friday is brimming with bargains and steals. But put on your earmuffs, hardcore devotees, because an ugly truth lies ahead: Sometimes the hype is just hype, and retailers will roll out their best prices — and better quality products — later in December.

Did we just rekill Santa for you? Please accept our sincere apologies, and read on for expert tips on what to wait on this weekend.

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Toys

A quick disclaimer: If anything "Frozen" is on your kiddo's list, you should probably buy that right away (or, you know, last week). But for toys that aren't in such high demand, hold off. "We've been collecting data on Black Friday for 10

years," says Kyle James, founder of coupon and bargain-hunting hotspot Rather-Be-Shopping.com. "There are definitely

good Black Friday buys, but then there are bad Black Friday buys. One of the bad ones is toys — Black Friday and Cyber Monday are not the best prices for toys."

When to buy: According to James, the two weeks leading up to Christmas is when you see the really big price cuts.



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Avoid lines

Smaller names, bigger deals

Traditional Black Friday heavyweights such as Macy's, Best Buy and Walmart are going to be packed, no doubt. For great deals without the lines, James suggests putting lower-key retailers such as Sears, JCPenney and Kohl's at the top of your list.

Coupon codes

Shipping fees?

As free shipping becomes the norm and retailers feel the pressure from competitors, don't pay shipping fees without looking for a deal first. "It's become expected for retailers to offer free shipping at this point," says Nelson. "Look for a free shipping offer — it's definitely out there if you just take a minute." (Sites such as RetailMeNot and Rather-Be-Shopping compile special codes and offers for you.)

Sale alerts

Bargain hunter

Let third-party sites find sales for you. Rather-Be-Shopping.com will send personalized coupon emails based on where you shop, and RetailMeNot has a free app that uses location-based technology to alert you when you're near a store with discounts available.



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Televisions

Before you line up for that big-screen TV, do your research on the brand and model. "The Black Friday deals on these look great, but the quality with some is so bad that they don't even

stock them the rest of the year," warns James. **When to buy:** "If you're looking for a high-quality TV, there are much better deals in January and early February when the new models come out and the older ones go on sale," says James.



Don't buy that sweater yet! / HEMERA

Apparel

Although you'll score major deals on fall apparel, winter apparel is not going to see significant discounts this weekend. **When to buy:** If you're looking for yourself and not for a

gift, wait until after Christmas, advises Kristen Nelson of RetailMeNot.com, a discount junkie's dream site. "The post-Christmas sales are really, really good," she says. "They're waiting for people to come back to return items and coming back with gift cards."



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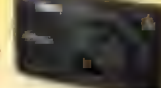


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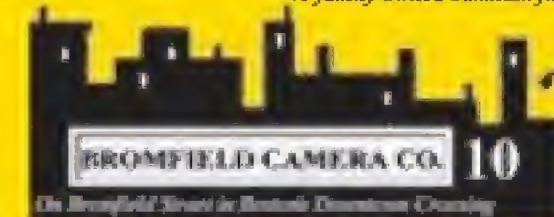
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Expert tips for winning Black Friday

Shop smart. Score big ticket items fast so you can go back to bed.

There's nothing like Black Friday to bring out the crazy in people. To keep your cool while battling the crowds and saving tons of cash, follow these tips from Michelle Madhok, online shopping expert and CEO of SheFinds.com, whose specialty is

shopping smart. Keep reading for her surprising ways to save.

Become a 'fan' of your favorite stores

Get ready by signing up for email newsletters from deal sites such as SheFinds.com and follow your favorite retailers on Facebook and Twitter. "They frequently give subscribers early access to sales or additional dis-

counts," Madhok says.

Stay focused

Heading into a store aimlessly looking for deals just isn't going to cut it. In the days leading up to Black Friday, Madhok suggests making a list of who you need to buy gifts for and checking them off as you do your shopping. "This will help you focus, which is necessary when speed is of the essence," she says.



Ready, set, shop. / GETTY IMAGES

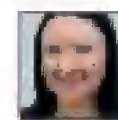
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"Know what you're buying. Some of the holiday electronics with low sale prices are derivatives. ... You need to check the specs very carefully." Madhok

Buy the most expensive items first

Madhok says there's a reason why electronic stores like Best Buy have crazy long lines hours before the doors open: "Seventy percent off of a TV is worth more than 70 percent off gloves," she points out. But even though things get very chaotic and you want to be the first to grab big ticket items, she stresses that you really need to check the item out

before heading to the register. "Know what you're buying. Some of the holiday electronics with low sale prices are derivatives, special models made for the sale, and they have less features than a standard model in the product line," she explains. "You need to check the specs very carefully so you know what you're getting."



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Head for the malls

Black Friday deals.

Looking for some local bargains? Try heading out to the outlet malls to see what they have to offer.

Unsure where to begin your Black Friday experience? We've got you covered with a list of local spots offering great deals.

Thanksgiving's a beautiful time, characterized by the four most important components of life: family, friends, food and football.

But all that aside, it's time to get to the good stuff. Because let's face it, your cousin's dinner table promotion story is nowhere near as satisfying as getting your hands on that very last pair of 70 percent off boots. Read on to find out which local retailers are offering the coolest Black Friday Deals.

Brooks Brothers at Wrentham Outlets

1 Premium Outlet Blvd., Wrentham
508-384-3589

Begins: Midnight Thursday until 9:00 a.m. Friday morning

The deal: Whether you're looking for a new suit or getting ready to graduate from one of the local universities (in other words, looking for a job interview suit), have no fear. Brooks Brothers is offering Black Friday discounts on its men's and women's shirts (which will be sold for \$29.99), as well as its suits (sold on Black Friday for \$199). Women's sweater will also be 50 percent off.

Converse Store at Wrentham Outlets

1 Premium Outlet Blvd., Wrentham
508-384-1526

Begins: Thursday, 8:00 p.m.

The deal: Converse is going for pretty legit doorbuster offers. Our theory: They're hoping you'll wreck your shoes attempting to kick down

the doors so that you'll be forced to buy more. But we digress; the deals are pretty great. Adult doorbuster footwear will be \$30, while kids' doorbuster footwear will be \$20. T-shirts will be on sale for \$7. Remember: "doorbuster" is Black Friday speak for "get there early, and be prepared to swarm the store and frantically grab things. First come, first served." May the shoes be ever in your favor!

The Body Shop at Burlington Mall

75 Middlesex Turnpike, Burlington
781-272-9510

Begins: Nov. 26

The deal: The Body Shop is one of many stores to get a jump on the Black Friday spirit with a weeklong sale, but this one is too good to pass up: From Nov. 26 through Nov. 30, The Body Shop will be giving anyone who purchases \$30 at the store the option to buy a \$30 tote. That sounds insane, but before you roll your eyes, note that the tote is full of Body Shop goodies, and it's valued at \$125. Since we all



Take a few moments to enjoy Blink! at Faneuil Hall. / PROVIDED

know that \$30 is often the cost of, say, a travel-sized lotion there, this deal is sweet. And the best part is, while it's first come, first served, it's also a weeklong event, so feel free to stop by on a mellow pre-Black Friday shopping day to pick up your tote.

Dellaria Salon

75 Middlesex Turnpike, Burlington
781-272-1991

Begins: Friday

The deal: This one starts on Black Friday but continues all weekend. Dellaria Salon will be offering bottles of shampoo for \$10 (originally priced at \$20), as well as three for \$10 OPI nail polishes (which are usually \$9.50 each, so, score), and two-for-\$10 hairsprays (usually \$20 each). Although the deals will extend through the weekend, we suggest you make the salon one of

your last stops on Black Friday if you're at Burlington; we have a feeling supplies won't last very long. The deals will also be available at all Dellaria salons, so if you're doing your Black Friday shopping away from the Burlington Mall, check their site for more info at Dellaria.com.

Follain

53 Dartmouth St., 857-284-7078

Begins: Friday, 11:00 a.m.

The deal: Follain only opened in the summer of 2013, and it's already become a cult favorite beauty destination in Boston; it was voted the Best Bath and Body Shop by Boston Magazine this year. Offering special deals on select products just on Black Friday, Follain is the perfect place to shop for yourself or the beauty lovers in your life — all while supporting a

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The deal: If the picturesque Faneuil Hall is going to be your Black Friday destination of choice, be sure to make a pit stop at Blink! A Light & Sound Extravaganza, which offers a light show alongside music of the Holiday Pops. It's free, runs every 30 minutes and is a nice reprieve from the intensity of "I've gotta get those deals!" and all the crowds. Take the time, even amid all the craziness, to get into the holiday spirit and have a zen moment with the light show. It's the perfect way to end a successful day at the shops. **MARIA BARBERA**

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Cyber Monday. Shop in your PJs with these two crucial tips from shopping expert CEO Michelle Madhok

Don't wait until Monday to hunt for deals online

A lot of people think they should focus on in-store deals on Black Friday and on-line deals on Cyber Monday, but SheFinds.com CEO and shopping expert Michelle Madhok says online deals actually start on Thanksgiving Day. "When you need to shop quickly to score the deal, use an autofill tool for your credit card and shipping address," she says. "You can set up tools like Roboform to remember your passwords to your favorite sites and also fill in shipping addresses to various places." She suggests using cash-back sites such as Ebates.com and other shopping sites that allow you to earn up to 20 percent cash back on online purchases on top of retailer discounts.

Keep tabs on your items before you log on to buy them

One mistake Madhok says she sees people making is that they assume whatever it is they want to buy will be in stock when they want to buy it on Cyber Monday, and even in the weeks that follow. The closer we get to Christmas, the less likely that will be the case. "Make sure the items are in stock or guaranteed for delivery by a certain date or you might be stuck handing out IOUs," she says. "I've had this happen to me personally where a week after I made a purchase, I was sent an email saying it was out of stock and I had to scramble to find an alternative gift." Preparation is key to making Cyber Monday a stress-free shopping experience. **EMILY LAURENCE**



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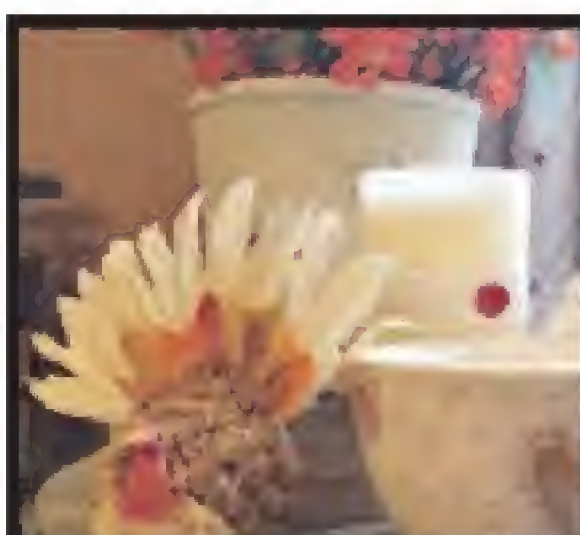


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Doorbusters. Here are the one-day sales and steals you definitely don't want to miss.

Let's face it: As soon as your Halloween sugar rush wore off, holiday sale season was in full, frenzied swing. But for the true bargain hunters among us, Black Friday remains the main event, the undisputed High Holy Day of Cheap Stuff. (Although — insert judgy headshake here — most sales kick off on Thanksgiving.)

Braving the crowds this

year? Here are the retailers that made our list — which, of course, we checked twice.

Old Navy

Starting at 4 p.m. on Thanksgiving and lasting through Friday, all Old Navy merchandise will be 50 percent off. If you're one of the first 100 customers in line, you'll get a chance card that could be worth \$1 million, which may or may not make up for missing Thanksgiving.

Target

The good people at Target put together a holiday sales package that is brimming with deals — and

takes a solid 45 minutes to decipher. Here are the Black Friday highlights (which yes, you do owe us for): iPad Air 2 16GB plus a \$140 Target Gift Card for \$499, Beats by Dre Solo HD Headphones for \$97, Sony PlayStation 4 plus two games for \$399 and 40 percent off apparel and select LEGO sets.

JCPenney

Kicking off on Thursday at 5 p.m., doorbusters at Penney's include \$2.99 bath towels, \$9.99 kitchen electronics and 60 percent off holiday trim and decor. As is the tradition here, coupons are plentiful and you will have to drag your mom out.

Staples

An unexpected Black Friday heavyweight, Staples doesn't disappoint this year. In addition to the weeklong sales, Black Friday in-store deals (beginning Thursday, of course) include a \$39.99 Android 7-inch tablet from JLab and a \$99.99 Samsung Galaxy Tablet Lite.

Steve Madden

Look, we can't pretend to get excited about the free charm bracelet that Steve Madden is handing out on Black Friday. But we do love their partnership with Uber: For every purchase you make at the shoe store, you'll receive a code for an Uber voucher that you

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Walmart

Ah, yes: Ground Zero on Black Friday. Deals vary at each location, so head to Walmart.com for the local breakdown, as well as a map of each store so you know where to run when the doors open (but really, don't do that). If you're one of the first 100 people in line for Thursday's 6 p.m. opening, you're guaranteed to get the markdown price on select items, even if they sell out, including Vizio's 65-inch LED HDTV for \$648.

H&M

Line up early for scratch-off coupons at H&M, which will go to the first 100 shoppers. There are deals to be had all week, but Friday-only specials include \$4.95 women's sweaters, \$9.95 men's plaid button-downs and \$5 shirts for the kiddos.

Best Buy

Doorbusters abound at Best Buy, which opens at 5 p.m. on Thanksgiving and then has Friday hours starting at 8 a.m. In addition to the usual heavily discounted TVs (including an in-store-only Panasonic 50-inch LED HDTV for \$199) you can also pick up \$10 DVDs and a \$1 Samsung Galaxy S5— with a two-year contract because, real talk, nothing is \$1.

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Tip

Spoiler alert

Look, we appreciate the Black Friday hunt. We do. But we'd be remiss not to mention that very few stores are offering any deals as good as those on Amazon, which has rolled

out an aggressive Black Friday takeover plan over the past couple years. The downside: If you never leave your couch, you can't get Mall Breakfast — and Mall Breakfast is important.

To the Web!

Online-only offers

Stay in your jammies and pay a visit to these online retailers:

Sandro
Cash in at this French "It" label with up to 50 percent off the fall collection and 10 percent off sale- and full-price styles on Black Friday through Cyber Monday at Us.sandro-paris.com.

Giejo Swim
Warm-weather getaway in your holiday plans? Giejo Swim is offering 50 percent off its entire site, including sale merchandise, Thursday through Monday at Giejo.com. When you're checking out, enter the code THANKSGIVING50.

Two good deals



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Product picks

The George Foreman Grill will always have a place under the tree: The Super-Champ 3-Serving model is \$9.95 at Walmart on Black Friday.

A vacuum cleaner is not a great gift. Or even a good gift. It's possible that a vacuum cleaner does not even qualify as a gift. But, if you must, Dyson is the only way to go. Thursday through Monday, visit Dyson.com for \$150 off select models.



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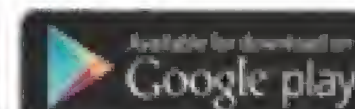
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- Relax at the Nantucket Hotel and Resort in Nantucket, with 30 percent off suites and cottages, for travel until May 21.

- Go to Phoenix, Arizona, and celebrate The Wigwam resort's 85th birthday with 50 percent off luxury rooms.

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Make holiday travel as painless as possible by being prepared. / NICOLAUS CZARNECKI, METRO

5 Tips for surviving Thanksgiving travel

The exhaustion, the hopelessness, the endless gate change announcements — traveling over the holidays is not for the faint of heart. To help you get through it, heed these pointers from Jeanenne Tornatore, a senior editor at Orbitz. Just remember, an enormous quantity of food awaits you on the other end of your trip. You can do this!

Punctuality pays

Sure, we've all played fast and loose with that whole "get there two hours early" rule, but Thanksgiving is not the time for those kinds of shenanigans. "The TSA is great at what they do, but the lines are just going to be longer and slower the day before the holiday," says Tornatore. This is a time of year when people who don't travel often are flying. So even if you can shed your shoes in five seconds flat for the security checkpoint, less-savvy travelers will probably be slower.

Prepare like a Boy Scout

Step 1: Print out your boarding pass at home, to save yourself from the crowds huddled around those little kiosks. Tornatore also recommends looking online ahead of time to learn where things are in the airport.

"It's always good to know what's available, whether you're trying to entertain your kids or you're going to be there over mealtime and you're looking for something to eat."

Charge it up

Pack extra chargers, especially if you have kids: You don't want any fights over devices, and having dead batteries is a recipe for disaster.

Tornatore also suggests using apps to keep on top of itinerary changes. "I think your smartphone really becomes your lifeline when you have delays and cancellations," she says.

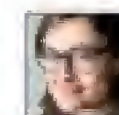
Be a power packer

Let's be honest: The chances of delays are high this time of year. "Make sure to pack any necessities that you would really need in a 24-hour period in a carry-on bag: things like phone chargers, contact solution and case, any medications, stuff that you would need for your kids," advises Tornatore.

You'll be very glad you did if you get stranded or delayed in the airport.

Gain the edge

In case your flight is canceled, have the airline's number stored in your phone. Everyone is going to bolt for the service desk to try to rebook. "You walk over with them, but you get on the phone and dial that number because you might get somebody quicker that can actually get you one of the few seats left on the flights for that day," says Tornatore.



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On a recent getaway, the

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Companies with cool perks for parents

Work-life balance. We round up some of the best employers if you're a working parent.

Apple and Google aren't the only companies offering family-focused benefits. Here, we highlight some other pretty awesome places to work if you're a parent.

1 Southwest Airlines Most of us have to save up for a family vacation, but if you work for Southwest Airlines, it's a lot easier: The company provides free flights for family and friends. They also host several family fun days throughout the year, such as a chili cook-off.

2 Accenture Balancing work and home can be a struggle for any parent, which is why Accenture offers seminars on how to do it for their employees. There

are also a variety of support groups parents can join, such as one specifically for working mothers.

3 Bain & Co. If you're a mom, you know how tough it is to find time to work out or get a manicure. Not at Bain & Co, where on-site manicures, massages, yoga and stress-reduction sessions are all offered.

4 Mattel If you've ever skipped one of your child's field trips because you didn't want to take a day off work, you'll envy the workers at Mattel: The toy company gives employees 16 paid hours for school-related events, such as parent-teacher conferences or field trips. And another obvious perk: lots and lots of cool toys.

5 Genentech Inc. This San Francisco biotech company not only offers on-site child and pet care, they also offer drop-off laundry ser-

vice and six-week sabbaticals to prevent burnout, according to Woman's Day magazine. Having your laundry done at work so you can spend weekends playing with your kids? Now that's cool.

6 Facebook At Facebook, new moms and dads both get six weeks of paid leave to be with their newborns. But the parenting perks don't stop there. The company completely reimburses child care fees, pays for adoptions and gives each new parent \$4,000 of "baby cash," according to Business Week Daily.

7 Bon Secours Virginia Health System This employer has family benefits for parents with kids of all ages. For employees with young kids, there is on-site day care and summer camp. For teens, the company offers a volunteer program and babysitting classes. According to Working Mother magazine, employees also get \$5,000 each

No. 9

Abbott

With day care facilities on site at its headquarters, health care company Abbott placed second on Working Mother magazine's list of the 100 best companies for working mothers. Parents can also use one of the 2,800 day care discounts the company offers for childcare elsewhere.



If only every company offered on-site day care like some of the places on this list. / GODDSHOT

year in tuition aid for kids in college.

No. 10

Yahoo!

8 Ernst & Young LLP For many parents, the struggle of caring for both their kids and elderly parents is a harsh reality, which is why Ernst & Young LLP offers services to help with both. They also offer a referral service for nannies, babysitters and day care.

When there's an exclamation point in your name, you're pretty much obligated to provide some company fun, and Yahoo! delivers — for the whole family. Employees enjoy discounts on amusement parks and ski resorts. The company also throws every new parent a baby shower.



Yahoo! gives family discounts at amusement parks. / PURESTOCK

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Trends. Facebook and cable TV are for old people

Recently, digital agency Huge's headquarters were packed with people, all waiting for the expert panel to arrive. The panel wasn't a parade of startup CEOs. It was six 9- to 12-year-olds who were there to tell everyone about their digital habits. Here's some of what they shared.

Computers vs. tablets

The pint-size experts seem to favor tablets over computers. They mostly like to watch YouTube or Netflix, but they also research free games to play alone or with their friends.

TV

Interestingly, one 12-year-old says he doesn't see the point of live TV. "Why would you watch something with commercials? I record everything and watch it later," he says. Another trend is that they like watching an entire season

of a show on Netflix instead of waiting a week between episodes.

Music

Even at 8 years old, these kids are buying music — at least with their parents' credit cards. Half the panel bought Taylor Swift's new album on iTunes, which is where they get all their music. Only one kid uses Spotify, while the others listen to music on the family computer or phone.

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None of the kids on the panel are on Facebook or Twitter, although a few are on Instagram. Besides YouTube stars like Bethany Mota, they stick to following their friends, friends of friends and people who go to their school; they aren't really into following celebs. And this is encouraging: They don't care how many followers they have or how many "likes" their photos get.

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♋ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan. 20. A career change is imminent. Enhance your confidence by updating your appearance. Prepare to take advantage of a new opportunity. Strive for perfection and personal gains.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb. 18. Stay on track. The economic market is fluctuating, and you will need to be resilient if you want to remain solvent. A younger family member will pose a challenge.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20. Your skills have made an impression on someone you may want to partner with. Get all of the details in writing before you commit. Love and romance are looking good.

♈ Aries | March 21-April 20. Familiarize yourself with up-to-date banking and investment procedures. Money has a way of disappearing quickly if you aren't organized.

♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21. You may not realize it, but you can make a difference. If you examine the lessons that have helped you advance, you'll see that you are in a perfect position to teach or mentor others.

♊ Gemini | May 22-June 20. Don't feel that you have to face your problems alone. Call upon a friend or community group. Your support system is better than you think, and will help you get back on your feet.

♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22. Love is on the rise. It's a great time to cultivate a new relationship or spend extra time nurturing a current one. Some interesting changes are looming on the home front.

♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. Prove your worth. Promoting your talents and networking with business associates will bring favorable attention your way. Your hard work will be a testament to your capabilities.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Don't let gossip get you down or lead you in the wrong direction. If you check the facts, you'll discover that the truth is quite different from what you are being told.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22. Domestic situations may be tiresome. A trip to the shopping mall, library or art gallery will get you away from the people most likely to cause discord.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21. The important people in your life will stay by your side no matter what. Mistakes happen, so don't feel bad if something goes wrong. **EUGENIA LAST**

Letters

Untold stories

I was in tears when I sat in front of my television this past Thursday evening hearing our President Barack Obama talk about his executive decision to make changes to the immigration system that has failed many in this country. I cried for the countless individuals that I have met from a young age here who have suffered from being in the shadows. I found it interesting when I read or heard others' reactions, the voices of anger, resentment and fear regarding Obama's

immigration fairness/reform speech. People, did you even listen?

We as a society seem to feel so comfortable having immigrants that are undocumented clean our houses and pick our fruits and vegetables. We are comfortable having the nanny take care of our most precious gift, our children, and teach them her native language.

These individuals who many call "illegal aliens" take on the jobs that most Americans refuse to take, and that is a reality.

As a social worker working with immigrant groups that

don't have "papers," I hear the terrifying stories of women being sexually harassed at work, people being emotionally abused, even physically, and wages not paid. I sit in frustration hearing these stories, wanting to help, but all they want is for me to listen. They won't stand up to the unfairness for fear of retaliation of losing their employment or being deported. They are hard working and their priority is their family. People have sacrificed their lives to come to this country. Children have been left behind so parents can work hard and provide them a better

life. People have been tortured and raped crossing the border and some have never made it; they died all to have "the American dream." If we are good people at heart and loving, we would understand this! It isn't a free pass, but it's acknowledging those that have worked hard and have been law-abiding to be free from living in the shadows.

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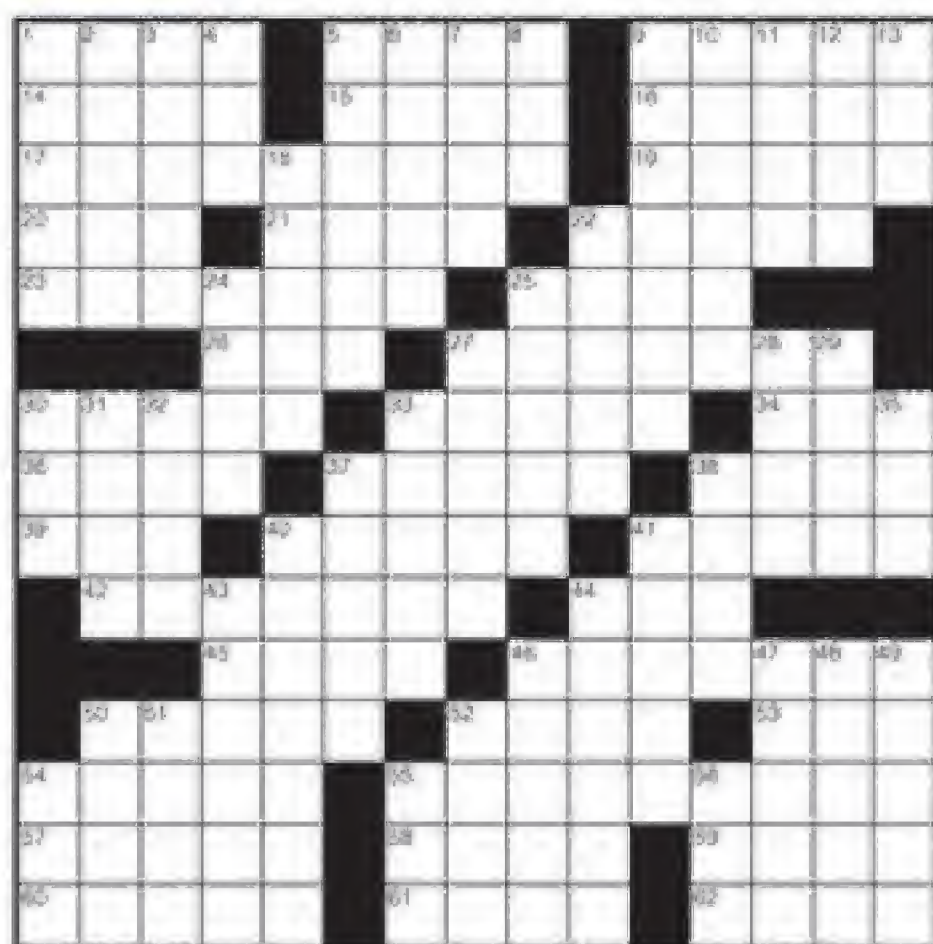
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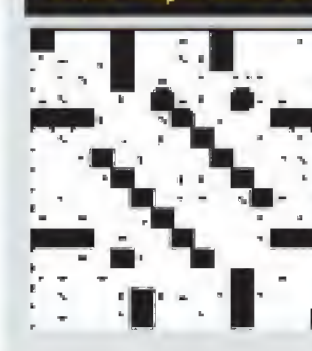
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Sox with a lot to sort out after big signings

MLB. A trade seems to be on the immediate horizon with Hanley Ramirez and Pablo Sandoval in town.

It's difficult to say that any MLB franchise coming off a 71-win season is "loaded" in certain key areas, but the Red Sox currently have too many chefs in their positional kitchen.

Boston reportedly agreed to deals with free agent third baseman Pablo Sandoval and free agent infielder Hanley

Ramirez on Monday.

While it's a sure thing that Sandoval will stay put at third base, the Sox may opt to move Ramirez to the outfield. The former prized Red Sox farmhand has primarily played shortstop in his MLB career with the Marlins and Dodgers. This would be the path of least resistance, but Boston could also opt to trade current shortstop Xander Bogaerts.

One way or another, the Red Sox will have to move on from someone who occupied a spot on the left side of their infield or a spot in the outfield in 2014.

Rusney Castillo, Yoenis Cespedes, Shane Victorino, Mookie Betts and Allen Craig are all candidates for outfield spots next season.

There have been whispers earlier this off-season that the Sox could move on from Cespedes after employing him for just four months. Cespedes belted 22 homers and drove in 100 runs in 152 games split between Oakland and Boston this past season.

Not only do the signings of Sandoval and Ramirez mean that the Sox now have less money to throw at Jon Lester, there is the possibility that Lester will be turned off by the moves. A 2010 USA Today



Hanley Ramirez hit .283 and had a .369 OBP last season with the Dodgers. / GETTY IMAGES

piece titled "Jon Lester either hates pizza or dislikes Hanley Ramirez" quoted Lester as saying that he doesn't plan on dining with Ramirez anytime soon. Lester was asked by a reporter if he had ever gone out for pizza with Ramirez in the

minor leagues when they were teammates and the lefty gave a curious answer.

"I'd have a better chance of being struck by lightning than me and him getting a slice of pizza together," Lester told USA Today. "You can take that

for what it's worth. But there was no chance on God's green earth that I was getting a pizza with him."



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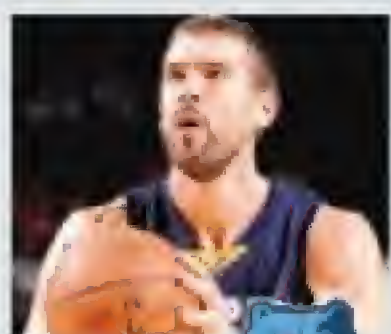
What's the deal?

The Red Sox landed Hanley Ramirez and Pablo Sandoval on Monday. A look at their deals:

- Ramirez agreed to a four-year, \$88 million deal with a vesting fifth year for an additional \$22 million, according to ESPN.
- Sandoval chose Boston's five-year offer over that of the Giants and Padres, who were each offering at least \$90 million.

NBA power rankings | by James Toscano

No. 1



Grizzlies
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Led by early MVP favorite Marc Gasol, the Griz are manhandling teams with their toughness. Just ask the Clippers, who Memphis took down in a big way.

No. 2

Warriors
(10-2)



That big sigh of relief you're hearing is from the Warriors after learning that Andrew Bogut's orbital contusion is not serious.

No. 3

Raptors
(11-2)



They haven't cooled off yet, and there's no reason to believe they will. This team is third in points per game and fifth in points allowed.

No. 4

Spurs
(9-4)



Holding opponents to a league-best 91.3 points per game, just two players on the Spurs average 30 minutes per game.

No. 5

Rockets
(10-3)



It's troubling to see Dwight Howard miss games so early in the season. The Rockets could use Omer Asik right about now.

No. 6

Mavericks
(10-4)



Considered by many to be one of the most improved teams in basketball, the Mavs ripped off six straight before falling to the Howard-less Rockets.

No. 7

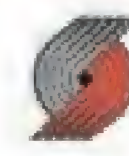
Wizards
(9-3)



There are few teams beginning to split from the pack in the Eastern Conference but the Wizards are certainly one of them.

No. 8

Blazers
(10-3)



Make it a league-best seven straight wins for the Blazers. With Philly on tap for Monday, that'll be eight straight. Their bench is oh-so-strong.

No. 9

Bulls
(8-5)



It looks like Derrick Rose is going to be a gametime decision for the rest of his career. Jimmy Butler, on the other hand, is shining.

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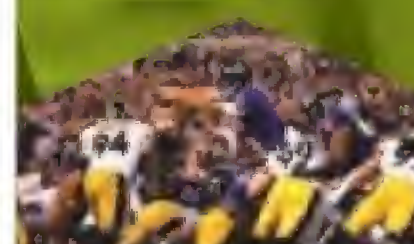
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NFL

Brady downplays success

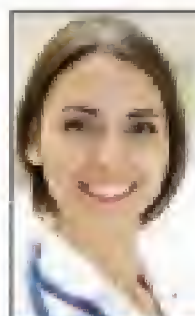
This coming Sunday's Patriots-Packers tilt is quickly becoming New England's biggest game since ... well ... their date with Denver earlier this month. Tom Brady is certainly pumping the breaks on talk of a potential Super Bowl preview this Sunday at Lambeau Field. "We are so far from [the Super Bowl]," Brady told WEEI's "Dennis & Callahan" show. "We have so many games left. If we are lucky to make it there, no one ever cares who we play. But that's so far down the road."



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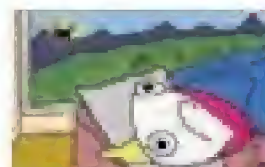
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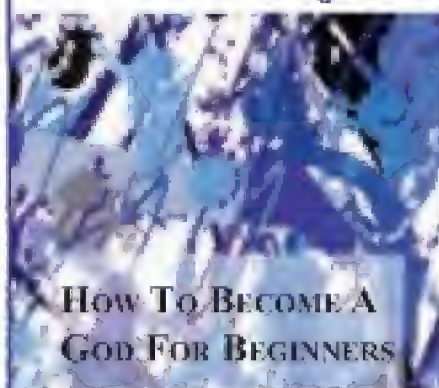
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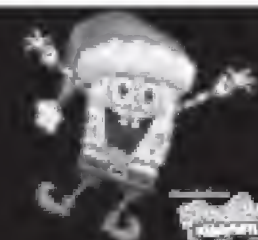


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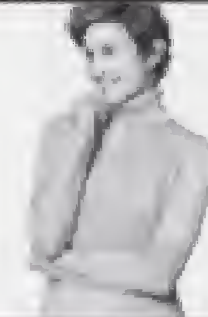
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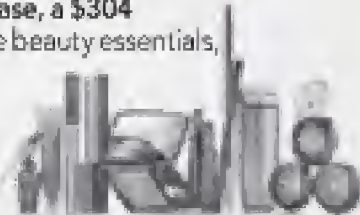
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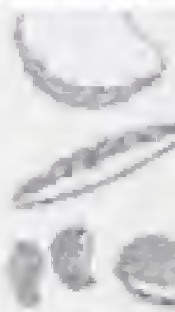
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